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BRITISH GIVE UP GALLIPOLI DRIVE

Withdraw Forces Safely From Anzac and Sulva Bay Regions

END OF THE CAMPAIGN

Attack upon Constantinople by Way of Dardanelles is Postponed for the Present.

London, Dec. 21—The announcement of the British withdrawal from Gallipoli overshadowed all other war news last night. For the British public the abrupt War Office statement marks the end of one of the great chapters of the war's history. The laconic statement was as follows :

"All the troops at Suvla and Anzac, together with their guns and stores, have been successfully transferred, with insignificant casualties, to another sphere of operations."

The shock of the news was hardly broken by the fact that rumors had been current in the street for some days, and the withdrawal of the forces had been a matter of widespread pro and con discussion ever since Lord Ribblesdale's famous speech in Parliament, in which he declared that withdrawal had been recommended by a high military authority. The feeling of the man in the street was generally one of relief mixed with regret. A popular halfpenny paper sums up the British public's attitude as follows:

"Thus ends the enterprise on which the highest hopes were built and which, if it had succeeded, would probably have turned the tide of the war. Our troops from the first to last were within a few miles of victory."

The policy underlying the Dardanelles expedition may yet be carried to a successful issue in some other quarter of the Near East, but the prospect of forcing a way to Constantinople through the famous Straits is apparently relinquished.

British troops continue to occupy the tip of the peninsula at Seddul Bahr, commanding the entrance to the Straits where many British have declared a new Gibraltar will one day arise. The position here is protected by a double line of ships and it is apparent by a later statement that this will be held

"Thank God, they are safely out of there without serious loss," is an expression frequently heard in connection with the transfer of the troops from the Suvla and Anzac zones to another sphere of operation, although this is invarialby coupled with regret that it should have been regarded as necessary to evacuate the hard-won footholds on the peninsular obtained at such a heavy cost in casualties.

Operations in other sectors of the front on the Gallipoli peninsula than those from which troops were announced to have been withdrawn, are to be continued, it is intimated in a later official statement The withdrawal was effected without knowledge of the movement on the part of the Turks, it is declared.

The War Office statement leaves the public to draw its own conclusions as to the destination of these Australasian and United Kingdom forces which must be well over 100,000 strong, but it is widely conjectured that any southward sweep of Teutonic or Bulgarian armies in the Balkans, whether from the north, west or east, will sooner or later come in contact with them, and that the transfer is connected with a determination on the part of the entente Powers not to remain on the defensive in the Near-Eastern theatre of war longer than is requisite to assure the success of a forward march.

VICE IN BALTIMORE

Commission Makes Startling Revelation in Report

Baltimore, Dec. 21—The existence of startlingly immoral conditions in Baltimore is revealed in the report of the vice commission appointed by Gov. Goldsborough.

Conditions that were rare ten years ago are now common here, says the report. Unwelcomed babies are turned over to institutions where they more often die than survive. Prominent downtown buildings and hotels have been examined and the league between waiters, bell boys and manicure girls has been investigated.

Many things which indicate a shocking state of affairs are made plain by the report which is ready for submission to the governor and the legislature. The names and addresses of prominent men and women, whose guilt is little dreamed of by their friends, are on file with those of dis. reputable characters.

Ministers of all denominations, physicians, social workers and nurses are not spared. They are scanthngly arrainged for their participation. The relation of the city politicians to conditions is pointed out. Graft is charged.

The report says:

"Mrs.—, a member of several religious societies and one of the chief workers in the Ladies' Auxiliary Society, connected with a certain hospital, devotes all of her time to the placing and disposing of infants. It is strictly a business with her and one in which no consideration is shown for the child.

"The woman states frankly that she believes it is better for the child to die. She will make all arrangements and take charge of all the money for the procedure."

PUTS BANS ON KISSING

Prevalence of Grip Causes Health Board to Sound Warning

Philadelphia, Dec. 21—The official ban has been put upon kissing in Camden. It comes from the Board of Health and is due to an epidemic of grip that has assailed the city. Physicians report hundreds of cases of the disease and the health officers say it has appeared in worse form than at any period since the widespread epidemic in the winter of 1890 when about nine-tenths of the population of every city in the country were laid low.

"Don't even kiss your wife," is the suggestion of the physicians attached to the Health Board: "Put the duty, or pleasure, off for a time till the epidemic has passed. Let the sweethearts wait; they can stand it. See that little children and aged persons are not kissed Kissing spreads the germs of the disease and the epidemic may become severe" The prysicians recall that in the previous sweep of the malady many of its victims fell prey to pneumonia and succumbed, although the disease itself is not fatal.

NOTICE O. E. STAR

An important meeting of Martha Washington Chapter No. 42, Order of the Eastern Star, will be held Tuesday, December 21st, at 7:30 o'clock in Masonic Temple.

20-2t SUE L. GERLACHER, Secretary.

RECEPTION TO THE MONSIGNOR

Catholic Organizations Unite in Reception to Rector of Parish

IS HONORED BY POPE

Made Prelate of Papal Household—Bishop O'Connell, Priest and Laymen Present.

Richmond, Dec. 21.—The reception tendered by the various Catholic organizations in the McGill Catholic Union Auditorium, in honor of the Right Rev. Monsignor James T. O'Farrell, was attended by a large throng of people between the hours of 8 and 10 o'clock last night, and was of considerable enjoyment to all who called to pay their respects. The reception was tendered because of the recent honor received by Monsignor O'Farrell, who has been invested with the insignia of Domestic Prelate of the Papal Household of Pope Benedict.

Right Rev. D. J. O'Connell, accompanied by all the priests of the city, was present during the reception, and there was a gathering of many prominent people during the evening. That Monsignor O'Farrell has endeared himself to people of all walks of life since he came here from Petersburg as pastor of the Sacred Heart Cathedral, there is no doubt, Father Haier, who succeeded Father O'Farrell, in Petersburg, attended the reception with a large delegation of citizens from that city.

Father Haier has been directing the relief work in Hopewell.

During the evening two interesting brief talks were made by James J. Creamer and John J. Blake. Mr. Creamer, who was a student under Father O'Farrell, when he taught school in St. Peter's over forty years ago, spoke of the great love he has for Father O'Farrell, and said the instruction of Father O'Farrell had been of great value to him. He spoke of the recent honor conferred upon Monsignor O'Farrell, in that he is the first one in the diocese to receive the purple insignia of Domestic Prelate in the Papal Household.

Mr. Blake also expressed his high regards to the monsignor, mentioning the recent honors and the love and esteem in which Monsignor O'Farrell is held by all classes of citizens from the lowest to the highest.

The investiture of the purple robes took place December 8, and was upon the thirty-sixth anniversary of Father O'Farrell's ordination as a priest.

The reception was tendered by St. Mary's Beneficial Society, St. Patrick's Social Society, McGill Union, Knights of Columbus, Ancient Order of Hibernians, St. Vincent de Paul, Holy Name and other societies. It was a most enjoyable affair and was greatly appreciated by Monsignor O'Farrell.

CHRISTMAS DANCE

Alexandria Lodge No. 758 B. P. O. Elks

Elks Auditorium Tuesday, Dec. 28, 1915

9 P. M. to 1 A. M.

Gentlemen $1.00. Ladies 50c

MR. AND MRS. WILSON.

President and Bride Motor to Warm Springs.

Hot Springs, Va., Dec. 21.—President Wilson and the new First Lady of the Land, are being guarded here among the peaceful mountain people of Virginia with as many precautions as they would be if in New York. Seven Secret Service men are members of the entourage.

Every train that arrives is closely inspected, and information is sought concerning all persons whose identity is at all shrouded. It is not believed the President himself is aware of the extraordinary steps which have been taken to secure his safety and peace of mind while on the honeymoon.

The unusual arrangements are probably due to the same caution which prompted the bridal couple to change their plans at the last moment before leaving Washington and board the train in Alexandria instead of going to the Washington Terminal, whatever the reasons were.

The President and Mrs. Wilson left the seclusion of their rooms yesterday afternoon long enough to take an automobile ride to Warm Springs and then across the mountain to Healing Springs. They were absent a little more than two hours. It was the first time they had left the hotel since arriving here early yesterday morning.

Mrs. Wilson was heavily wrapped in furs and wore a small turban hat. Her face was radiant with smiles and frequently along the route as the White House limousine and its occupants were recognized she joined the President in acknowledging the respectful greetings of the country folks.

No persons except members of the official party have had speech with the President, it is said he is taking an absolute rest. The morning's mail from Washington brought several bags of congratulatory telegrams and letters which are to be given personal acknowledgment, but as yet they have not been touched.

The guests as yet are few, excepting aforesaid secret service men, newspaper representatives, photographers, and moving picture operators.

"The movie" men this afternoon addressed a "round Robin" to the President and told him that if he and his bride would pose for five minutes they would pack their machines and shake the dust of Hot Springs from their feet, never to return. After writing the request they grew skeptical of its success and spent the afternoon around the log fires of the lobby, endeavoring to find courage, for some other plan of attack.

SPEEDY JUSTICE FOR NEGRO

Sentenced To 21 Years in Pen Five Days After Assaulting Girl.

Elkton, M., Dec. 21.—Simer Biddle, the negro who last Wednesday criminally assaulted Miss Bertha Martin, a 15 year old white girl, on the farm of ex-Sheriff Morris Dunbar, one mile from Elkton, was placed on trial in the Circuit Court for Cecil County yesterday afternoon before a jury. He was found guilty and sentenced to 21 years in the penitentiary by Chief Judge Constable.

The case is a record one for a Cecil county court. In two hours after the assault the negro had been indicted. He was captured Saturday in Pennsylvania, brought back here Saturday night and placed on trial today, five days after the crime was committed.

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HAZING EVIDENCE IS CONFLICTING

V. M. I. Students Positive Sweet Met No Injury at Their Hands

WITNESSES TESTIFY

Physicians Allege They Found No Evidence of Violence on the Boay of the Youth.

Lexington, Va., Dec. 21.—Conflicting testimony as to the alleged hazing of Cadet Thurber Sweet, of Chicago, Ill., who died here ten days ago, was given at the investigation of the cadet's death by the board of visitors of the Virginia Military Institute. The injuiry was adjourned until today, when Dr. J. M. Scott, jr., who examined Sweet on the day the cadet ran away from the institute, and who is said to have stated that he found wounds on Sweet's back, will testify.

Four students of Washington and Lee University, who said they saw Sweet the day he quit V. M. I., testified that Sweet showed them wounds on his back and legs, and told them that they were caused by blows from broomsticks and bayonets wielded by upper classmen. Institute officials and cadets assert that Sweet was not hazed. That he was a failure as a student, and that he made several attempts to leave the institute and return home.

Surgeon O. H. McClung, of V. M. I., testified that Sweet had told him that he had been beaten. A cadet said Sweet had complained to him that "it was rough" at V. M. I., and that a wound in his back was caused by a bayonet. Other witinesses testified that Sweet had attributed this wound to a bayonet, a rusty nail and a knife.

Several physicians who treated Sweet during the several weeks that he was in the institute hospital, gave it as their opinion that the cadet died from inflammation of the spinal cord, and that he had received no injury that could have caused such inflammation. They all asserted they found no marks of violence on the boy's body.

When the board convened yesterday morning, Gen. Nichols, superintendent of the academy, made a statement, reviewing the case. He deplored the "sensational notoriety" given the matter, and urged that the inquiry be thorough.

Gen. Nichols presented his report of the case in printed form, covering various testimony, together with letters from C. A. Sweet, of Chicago, father of the young man, from his mother and grandmother. Mr. Sweet was emphatic in his statement that he did not believe his boy had been hazed.

Washington and Lee students, E. C. Kicklighter, M. S. Evans, F. D. Davis and J. W. Whitelaw, testified that Cadet Sweet, while at the Morris House, after deserting the Virginia Military Institute, showed them his back, on which were stripes and welts caused, he said, by hazing at the Virginia Military Institute. He told them that he did not intend to return.

Cadet B. A. Goodman said that Sweet told him he did not mean to desert, but that he went uptown on Saturday afternoon and met some Washington and Lee students, who invited him to drink and play poker, and when he thought of the time it was after 9 at night, so he was afraid to return to Virginia Military Institute.

The members of the board present are R. A. James, George L. Browning, M. B. Corse, Thomas L. Tate, R. C. Stearnes and Gen. C. J. Anderson.

SLEUTH SLAYS SISTER

Elmer Johnson Shoots Mrs. Theodore Craig In Her Home

Baltimore, Dec. 21—A letter, unsigned, giving to Theodore Craig what purported to be details of the infidelity of his wife, Mrs. Helen Craig, brought her to her death yesterday at noon at the hands of her brother, Elmer Johnson, a Baltimore and Ohio detective, in the bedroom of her third floor flat at 1 West Henrietta street, Johnson shot his sister twice through the heart, killing her instantly.

"I know what was in that letter," Johnson is said to have told Craig as he thrust the smoking pistol into his hip pocket. "You were too good a man to be treated as she was treating you."

As Johnson rushed from the house the slain woman's little daughter, Ida 7 years old, nearly ran into him. She was coming home from school. "Hello Uncle Elmer!" she called, and Johnson, waving his hand to her, leaped aboard a southbound Fort avenue car Upstairs the little girl found her mother dead in bed and her father dressing to go out for the police. He sent her out instead, and at Cross Street Market she found Sergeant Hill and Patrolmen Romer and Williams.

"My mamma's been shot," she told them.

Captain Santry, apprised of the killing, lost not a moment, He notified the Baltimore and Ohio police and the Brooklyn police, and five members of the county force arrested Johnson when he crossed the railroad bridge into Brooklyn.

LOCAL BREVITIES

Dr. E. A Gorman was awarded the pair of gold cuff buttons drawn by O'Kane Council, Catholic Benevolent Legion, for the benefit of its Christmas charities. He held ticket no 94, which was drawn by F. T. Quinn, jr.

In the corporation court today the Rev. W. A. Price, a colored Baptist minister, was given permission to perform the rites of matrimony.

Alexandria Lodge of Elks will give a Christmas dance at their home on Prince street on Tuesday night.

Russell P. Robertson, of Newport News, who has been employed as book-keeper for Swift and Co., has been made acting manager of this district, taking the place of Manager C. C. Cole, who has been granted an indefinate leave of absence on account of illness.

The alarm of fire between four and five o'clock yesterday afternoon was caused by the discovery of a blaze in a house at the corner of Oronoco and Payne streets. The fire was extinguished before any serious damage resulted.

Six years in the penitentiary for stealing chickens was the verdict given by a jury in the circuit court of Alexandria county yesterday in the case of William Love, colored.

Funeral services for Robert W. Adcock were held this afternoon from his late residence, 216 south Henry street, and were conducted by the Rev. John L. Allison

NO TROUBLE IS ANTICIPATED

Issue With Austria Over Ancona Affair Will be Settled

MANNER OF U. S. NOTE.

Austrian Government Not Concerned Over Disavowal, But Wording of the Document.

Berlin, (via Amsterdam), Dec. 21.—There will be no quarrel between Austria-Hungary and the United States if Washington keeps cool.

Count Stephen Tisza, next to Emperor Franz Josef the strongest man in the dual monarchy, gave this assurance in an interview in the Ministrial Palace at Budapest. The interview was obtained in the course of a week's visit to Vienna and Budapest, to ascertain sentiment regarding the Ancona negotiations.

"To think of trouble between Austria-Hungary and the United States—sheer nonsense!" declared the "Iron Man" of the monarchy, emphatically.

Count Tisza has just returned from a conference with the Emperor at Vienna, regarding the Ancona note.

"I must confess," he said, reclining in a big leather chair, "that we were greatly surprised to get the American note. It is far from our intention to get into any quarrel with America. Perhaps I shouldn't say quarrel, because I know it would not be that, but of course matters do not depend on us entirely.

"There is no reason for any trouble over the Ancona question. It must be settled satisfactorily, not only from the standpoint of the United States but from our standpoint. And the only way to reach a settlement is through correspondence which will suggest the means."

Further indication that Count Tisza does not contemplate a break is found in his own statement that the dual monarchy is now occupied in naming a new ambassador to Washington to succeed Ambassador Dumba Ambassador Penfield, also pointed this out at Vienna, and, furthermore, said that twice on the day the Austrian reply was sent to Washington the foreign office asked America to use her good office to obtain special concessions for the monarchy in belligerent lands.

HIS MANY SILK UNDERSUITS

Found They Were Not Christmas Surprise for Her, So She Had Him Haled Before Police

Philadelphia, Dec. 21—What any respectable married man would want with a box of woman's dainty silk underwear, unless as a Christmas present for his wife, was a question that so agitated Mrs. Mary Bonner that, when she caused her husband Thomas, 24 years old, to be arrested for alleged ill-treatment, she confided her suspicions to Lieutenant Savage, of the Sixteenth district, and as the result Bonner is held in $600 bail for a further hearing.

Bonner, the police say, became so enraged when his wife gave this information that he swung around and struck Patrol Officer Trout, an elderly pensioner, who was holding him by the sleeve. Then a fight followed and it required several policemen to subdue him.

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COMMUNITY XMAS TREE

Specimen of Fir Variety Will Be Placed at Queen and Washington Streets.

At a meeting held last night of the committee in charge arrangements for the community Christmas tree were completed. The tree will be placed at the corner of Washington and Queen streets, and will be a magnificent specimen of the Christmas fir. It will be brilliantly lighted with electric lights. The tree will be lighted for the first time at 7:30 o'clock on Friday night and will also be illuminated on Christmas and Sunday nights.

The singing of the Christmas carols will commence on Friday night at 7:30 o'clock. The musical program is in charge of Sherman B. Fowler, choir master of St. Paul's Episcopal Church who has secured the co-operation of all choirs of the city and a large chorus from the Alexandria High School.

Colored slides showing incidents in the life of Christ will be thrown on a screen on the same night.

The Gazette has received the following communication in reference to the celebration:

"Enterprising Alexandria is unwilling to be behind the other cities and towns, in and out of our dear old state, and all of Alexandria is joining hands with the neighbor and mingling his voice with the throng to procaim, as with the Shepherds of old, whose song rolls down the ages: —Peace on Earth: Good will toward man.' If we are a Christian nation we believe in the birth, the life and the resurrection of Christ. If we are true Christians, or Christlike, we love our fellow man. Since we love one-another, let us get together on Christmas Eve, out under the stars, where there is room for all and only distance can limit the reach of our praises to him who first loved us. Our hearts must swell in gratitude for the blessing of peace which rests upon our beloved nation when, at this hour, hatred, envy and bloodshed hangs like a pall over many other nations of the earth. Whether big or little, old or young, rich or poor, we still have great cause for praise and thanksgiving.

"The streets will be roped off so the tiniest child will be safe from automobiles. The beautiful tree will stand in the center of Queen and Washington streets, the screen will be stretched where all can see the pictures of the birth of Christ and the Shepherds watching their flocks, upon the hills, as well as the words of the sweet Christmas carols, so all can sing. It will be a wonderful sight. Every body must have a light in their windows and the curtains up to cheer the passers-by.

"We will meet you at the Community Chrismas tree, at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening."

AGED COLORED MAN

In Police Court Today, Tells of Robbery Sunday

"Mosby was lying on the bureau in the back room", said Fairfax Jackson, an aged colored man, in police court this morning, "and I fotched him and ponted at the three rackals and said 'You-all had better make yourselves scarce of I'll blow daylight into you."

Jackson was telling Justice Caton of the robbery of his little store near the canal basin Sunday night Two men, Edward Lee and James Brent, negroes had been arrested charged with being implicated in the crime and Rob Harris, a companion, had not been apprehended.

"Mosby" it turned out was Jackson's war time revolver, named after the famous Confederate soldier.

According to his story the three negroes entered his place Sunday night and asked for cider. When he went to secure the glasses from a back room one of the trio pulled out his money drawer, containing $7.75. A noise was made and Jackson returned in time to see what the men were trying to do. He rushed back into his room and secured his "Mosby" and when he pointed it at the would-be thieves they beat a hasty retreat.

The two men arrested place the blame on Harris whom they say tried to commit the robbery. They were held by Justice Caton for ten days pending an effort to arrest the third man.

OFFICERS ELECTED

The following officers have been elected by Andrew Jackson Lodge, No. 120, A. F. and A. M.:

Charles E Dare, worshipful master.
Walter S. Nicklin, senior warden.
S. R. Luckett, junior warden.
William Lewis Allen, treasurer.
James E Alexander, secretary.
Harry Richards, senior deacon.
Elliott Hoffman, junior deacon.
F. M. Penn, and C. C. Batchelor, stewards.
George W. Zachary, tiler.
The Rev Edgar Carpenter, chaplain.
H. G. Harryman, organist.

TRIAL OF BEN THOMPSON

The trial of Ben Thompson charged with burglary commenced in the corporation court this morning, Judge L. C. Barley, presiding. The prosecution was represented by Samuel G. Brent, commonwealth's attorney, and Attorneys Louis N. Duffey and R. B. Washington appeared for the defendant.

A compromise verdict was reached by which the accused was sentenced to serve six months in jail.

The annual election of officers of Virginia Consistory No. 2, Scottish Rite Masons, will take place on Friday night in Masonic Temple.

LOST—An English Setter, white with one black ear. Answers to the name of Rex. Name and address on collar. Liberal reward if returned to F. Williams, 1812 R. Street, northwest, Washington, Phone N. 9 or notify Alexandria Gazette.

The City Market will be closed all day Saturday and will be open all day Friday. L. D. LYLES.

ORGANIZED CHARITIES

Ladies Conducting Good Work Appeal to Munificence of Alexandrians

The Co-Operative Charities of the city are engaged in work preliminary to succoring the poor this winter. During the present week and probably part of next good people of the city will be engaged in easing the burdens of the indigent, those whose and families and church of their own and families and church and other organizations, as usual during Christmas week, will send out baskets, clothing, etc.

The Co-Operative Charities will not begin their work until after the close of the holidays, when their aid will be most needed. The people of this community have ever been ready to respond to the appeals of this organization by contributions of money in order that the good work may go on until spring sunshine shall have brought joy and gladness to those compelled to pass through the inclement season without the means of properly combatting it.

The ladies at the head of this organization, as is well known, devote their undivided attention to the distribution of aid to such as are in need. In order to carry out their plans, they make personal visits to such as ask help, and it may be stated that only such as are worthy become beneficiaries.

They will doubtless have an average number of appeals to consider this winter, and let those blessed with abundance take part in commendable work by contributing to the same.

APPOINTED JUDGES

Prize Composition to be Given Under Auspices of R. E. Lee Camp

The Rev. J. W. Duffey, John M. Johnson and E. C. Graham have been appointed as judges for the prize composition to be given under the auspices of R. E. Lee Camp of Confederate Veterans. The subject is the "Life of Robert E. Lee" and the competition is to be open to all members of the Alexandria High School. The papers are to reach the judges by January 11th, and the prize will be awarded at the annual banquet of the camp to be held on Lee's birthday, January 19th. The compositions are limited to 1000 words.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Grace Martin entertained a number of her friends at a birthday party, last night. Among those present were: Misses Virginia Fannon, May Brock, Dorothy Knight, Catherine Hoy, Helen Patterson, Mary Kelley, Annie Kelley, Katie Fitspatrick, Messrs; James Dewyer, Charles Corbet, Roy Bragg, Clyde Smith, John Wells, Lawrence Corbett, Claude Hunt, Norman Simpson, Keneith Lyles, Leon Eddington, Chester Fannon, Frederick Martin, Eddie Martin, and Jake Mac Donnal of Washington, D. C.

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U. S. SANITARIUM URGED.

Transfer of Mount Weather to Health Service Proposed.

Permission to transfer Mount Weather, formerly controlled by the weather bureau, to the public health service for use as a sanitarium for government employes probably will be sought at the present session of Congress. Surgeon General Rupert Blue, of the public health bureau, is said to be in sympathy with the project and Representative Charles C. Carlin, of Virginia, has indicated he will push the necessary legislation in Congress.

Mount Weather is delightfully located in the Blue Ridge Mountains in Virginia within a short ride from Washington. The buildings are said to be suitable for a sanitarium, and the only expense that would attach would be that of equipping the institution for hospital purposes. A year ago there was considerable discussion of a proposition to turn the property into a summer White House, to be used by the President and his family, during the heated season. The suggestion was not acted upon because of a feeling that the President should be permitted to select his own summer home, which he probably would not feel at liberty to do if the government already had provided one for him.

The government acquired Mount Weather while Prof. Willis Moore was chief of the weather bureau. Because of the ideal location and the very enjoyable climate conditions prevailing there in the summer time, when the rest of official Washington was in a state of perspiration, there developed a vast amount of criticism with respect to the maintenance of the place. It was charged that the government was keeping up an expensive summer resort for use of Prof. Moore and his associates. It became necessary to eliminate Mount Weather as a part of the weather service.

Since then there has been a problem as to what to do with Mount Weather Officials of the public health service believe that, inasmuch as a sanitarium has come to be almost a necessity, it would be well to consider the question of making the change suggested. This, they say, could be done at a surprisingly small expense.

ASQUITH MUM ON PEACE.

Declines to Be Drawn Into Discussion When Quizzed in Commons.

London, Dec. 21.—Premier Asquith declined to be drawn into any discussion of the subject of peace yesterday afternoon in the House of Commons when Sir William Pollard Byles, member for North Salford, in a question suggested that recent debates in the Reichstag indicated a disposition to transfer the issue of the war from the battlefield to the council chamber.

Sir William was anxious to know if the government could see its way to suggest any form of response to that disposition.

The Premier told his questioner that the latter was quite as competent as the government to draw inferences from Reichstag debates, but intimated that the government's position was unchanged on the matter of peace.

"I can only refer to the public statements I have made," added the Premier, "and particularly to the answer I gave on December 8."

Premier Asquith's statement on December 8 was made in a reply to a request from Socialist member for a pledge that no proposals for peace negotiations based on the evacuation of conquered territory should be rejected by the British government without the knowledge of Parliament.

"If proposals of a serious character for a general peace are put forward by the enemy governments, either directly or through a nuetral power," said the Premier in reply, "they will first be discussed by the allied governments. Until this contingency arises I cannot give any further pledge. As soon as proposals for peace are put forward it will be the desire of the government to take Parliament into its confidence at the earlist possible moment."

CRAZED MAN STABS SIX

Philadelphia, Dec. 21—Crazed by the news that his four brothers had been killed in the European war, Sam Gregorro, 37 years old, of Bainbridge street near Sixty. caused a panic on Lombard street between Ninth and Tenth Sunday, when he drew a sitlitto and, with a shriek, dashed among pedestrians, slashing right and left, causing five men and one woman to drop, wounded, to the pavement. The man then held two policemen and a crowd at bay for several minutes, and was captured only after a bullet had been fired in his direction and he had been felled to the pavement by a heavy bucket thrown by a bystander.

NEXT MOVE AUSTRIA'S

Charge At Washington Embassy, Awaiting Action on Ancona Ready to Depart

Washington, Dec. 21—Austria's answer to Secretary of State Lansing's second note on the sinking of the Italian liner Ancona by an Austrian submarine is anxiously awaited by the Washington Administration. The note was sent to Ambassador Penfield at Vienna late Sunday and its text will be given to the press for publication after noon Wednesday.

The strained relations between the two governments have caused a decided tension in official circles because of the determined attitude of the United States. That there is grave danger of a rupture of relations is admitted by Administration officials.

Acting on advice from the Foreign Office at Vienna, Baron Zwiedinek, the Austrian charge, is known to have made all preliminary plans for prompt departure from the United States in the event of a severance of diplomatic relations. It was denied, however, at the Austrian Embassy that Austria consuls throughout the United States had received instructions to make arrangements with either Bulgarian or Turkish officials to take over their duties should there be a break between the United States and Austria.

State Department officials pointed out that the withdrawal of consular officials is an extreme move When this government severed diplomatic relations with Mexico the consuls were left to perform their duties.

FINDS BURGLAR UNDER BED

Detective Spies Virginian's Shoes and Drags Him Out

Philadelphia, Dec. 21—Gaining admittance by means of a skeleton key Benjamin Jones, 20 years old, who came to this city a few days ago from Virginia, was caught hiding beneath a bed, with a pile of loot, in the home of Mrs Mary Thomas, No. 738 June street late Saturday night by District Detective Martin, of the Twenty-ninth district, and was yesterday held without bail for Court by Magistrate Boyle.

According to the testimony of Martin and a daughter of Mrs Thomas, Joshua Faulk, Jones was detected as he opened the front door and walked in, by neighbors, who, knowing that Mrs. Thomas was absent, notified Detective Martin. A search was made through the house for the burglar by Martin and Faulk. When they were about to leave Martin observed a pair of shoes half protruding from a bed. The pair grabbed the shoes and hurled Jones from his hiding place He had a bag containing several articles of jewelry and silverware valued at $100.

TRUSTEE'S SALE
Of Valuable House and Five (5) Acre Lot At Barcroft, Alexandria County, Virginia

By virtue of authority conferred by deed of trust made by B. L. Lampkin and Jessie J. Lampkin, his wife to the undersigned trustee, bearing date the 27th. day of June, 1914, and duly recorded among the Land Records of Alexandria County, Virginia, in Liber No. 143, folio 206, and at the request of the party thereby secured, default having been made in the payment of interest secured by the said deed of trust, the undersigned trustee will offer for sale at public auction on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1915, at 2:00 o'clock p. m., on the premises, the following described property, to wit:

All of lot or section numbered 1, a portion of the tract of land known as William Bishop's Addition to South Barcroft, as the same appears of record in Liber No. 139, at folio 331 et seq., one of the Land Records of Alexandria county, Virginia, to which plat reference is hereby made for a more particular description of the land herein advertised; said lot of land containing five (5) acres, and being the same land which was conveyed by William F. Bishop and Fay C. Bishop, his wife, to the said B. L. Lampkin, by deed bearing date the 23rd day of June, 1914, and duly recorded among the Land Records of Alexandria County, Virginia, in Liber No. 143, folio 206; and the valuable dwelling house situated thereon.

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The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its banking house on TUESDAY, the 11th day of JANUARY, 1916, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 p. m. for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting.

RICHARD M. GREEN, Cashier.

NOTICE.

Stockholders Meeting of the American Rutile Company of Virginia.

The annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the American Rutile Co., will be held at the office of the Company, No. 111 south Fairfax street, Alexandria, Virginia, on Monday the 3rd of January, 1916, from 12 o'clock noon to 1 o'clock p. m., for the election of directors, and for the transaction of such other business as can be lawfully considered.

The transfer books will be closed for 10 days prior to the 3rd day of January.

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DECLINES TO HEAR FORD

Copenhagen Prohibits Meeting In Advocacy of Peace Plan

Christiania, Dec. 21—Henry Ford has received information that he would be prohibited from holding meetings in Copenhagen, it is learned. He will go there, however, to select the delegates to accompany his peace party to the Hague. Mr. Ford expects to go to Copenhagen in a week.

The newspapers, in commenting editorially on the Ford peace mission express little hope for the success of it.

For the first time since the Oscar II set sail from New York leaders of the peace party yesterday began to doubt the success of plans for a peace congress of neutrals.

The cost of the peace expedition so far is $125,000, and Financial Manager Plaintiff estimates that the final total will reach $500,000 at least.

The attempt to oust several newspaper correspondents from the party has failed.

CANADIAN JAPS TO ENLIST.

Organization of British Columbian Regiment Proposed.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 21.—Major Gen. Sir Sam Hughes, Canadian minister of militia, has received from British Columbia a proposal to organize a regiment of Canadian Japanese for service in Europe. One thousand Japanese, who have been naturalized in Canada, will be enlisted at once, under the proposal, and sent over seas.

Not only will the ranks be made up entirely by Canadian Japanese, but the officers will be naturalized Japanese. The full strength of the regiment will be maintained by enlistments from time to time.

Gen. Hughes explained that the proposal had come to him only informally, and that pending the receipt of some official offer the military authorities would make no decision.

U. S. FLAG TORN DOWN.

Saloniki, Dec. 20.—Bulgarian troops have seized the American Red Cross stores at Monastir, after tearing down the American flag, according to advices received here today.

Mrs. Walter Farwell, a Chicago woman, in Monastir doing newspaper work, and Dr. Forbes, of the Red Cross, have been taken into custody by Bulgarian officers, the dispatches stated.

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G. L. NICOLSON, President.
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APPEAL FOR GERMAN BABES.

An appeal will be made to President Wilson to use his office in preventing death by starvation of two million babies in Germany, threatened it is said, by a milk famine.

It is alleged by representatives of Germany and Austria that England's blockade is not affecting the men of Germany, but that thousands of babies are in danger of dying for lack of milk.

One of the papers of the national capital treats this request with the greatest contempt and calls attention to the fact that Belgian, Polish and other infants have been allowed to perish by the Germans during this frightful war, while many were drowned when the Lusitania was sunk and others were killed in their cribs when quiet English towns were bombarded

It is difficult to see how the United States can relieve present conditions, and while there can be no doubt of the fact that Germany is responsible for the peril now threatening her infantile class, we are not of those who seem to be disposed to stamp out enemies by destroying innocent babes who had nothing to do with bringing about present conditions. The allies should remember that they are not dealing with nests of rattlesnakes, when it may be necessary to destroy old and young, but with human beings, and those who take advantage of defenceless innocents will get their punishment.

Little children always appealed to the Great Teacher. He told us that their angels do always behold the face of the Father in heaven. Naturally our sympathies go out to the thousands of little Teutons whose lives are imperiled by this cruel war.

There is a fearful responsibility resting upon those who have brought about present conditions.

While captive Judea sat by the rivers of the Chaldean capital they remembered their little ones who had been cruelly taken from them and Rachel often wept for her children, and exclaimed, "O daughter of Babylon, who are to be destroyed; happy shall he be that taketh and dasheth thy little ones against the stones."

ANYTHING TO BEAT WILSON.

It was inevitable that the Republicans should cast about for any means, no matter what, to beat the President, says the Philadelphia Record. That he will be renominated admits of no doubt whatever. His record is the record of his party.

The Republican party has undergone no change of heart whatever in the last three years. It leaders are the identical leaders who caused the Republican defeat in 1912. But they will bid high for support from any quarter. They will promise anything, nominate anybody, and even attack the Administration on opposite ground for the sake of rallying a body of voters to defeat the party in power. They are making efforts to get the Progressives into line. They will bid for the hyphenated vote. They will denounce the Administration for being too bellicose and for abject pacifism, according to the particular audience they are at the moment addressing.

Mr. Wilson beat Mr. Roosevelt, and Mr. Roosevelt will go back into the Republican party and will appeal to the German-Americans who have torn his portrait down from their club walls; he will even eat out of the hand of the Money Power, in the desperate hope of getting his revenge. He denounces the President for not defending the country, and he denounces him for trying to put the country in a state of defense.

The calamity issue has entirely failed. The country was never more prosperous. It never before did so much business. There could be no greater contrast than between the present prosperity and the depression of the last 18 months that Theodore Roosevelt was President.

Mexico has just reached a condition of peace after five years of dreadful civil war. Not only has peace dawned on Mexico, but due directly to the policy of President Wilson, the end has not brought a Dictator, but a fair approach to a constitutional government. Huerta and Villa have sought asylum in the United States and Carranza is the nearest approach Mexico can afford for the removal of grievances and the pacification of the country.

The difficulties of the President in the face of the European war have been incalculable. But the dignity and interest of the United States and the claims of international law have been insisted upon with equal firmness to Germany and Great Britain, and concessions have been made by both. Under Woodrow Wilson the United States has preserved peace with honor.

SLAUGHTER OF THE INNOCENTS

The elimination in one way or another of infants form ghastly incidents in the history of the world. The cruel edict of Pharaoh which commanded all male children of the Israelites to be destroyed is one of the first affecting stories told in the nursery, followed by another telling of the destruction of infants at Bethlehem fifteen hundred years later by a despot who died in a most loathsome manner, having been eaten by worms while still alive.

The report of the vice commission of Baltimore is as revolting as anything we read in history. Infantile mortality, the result of taking new born babes from their mothers and placing them in institutions, is shown to be a most effectual manner of carryng on race limination.

We select a few paragraphs in the report:

Interview had with the ministers about assisting in having baby separated from its mother immediately after birth are given Only one minister refused, the commission states: he said that under no consideration would he agree to the separating of mother and child, and that such an act would be little short of murder, and moreover such a separaion would have a very harmful effect on the character of the girl. Similar propositions were put up to 69 nurses, and of these only four said they did not believe in that kind of work and refused to aid in it.

Thirty clergymen, including Protestants, Catholics and Hebrews, were interviewed regarding the separation of a baby from its mother immediately after its birth and the placing of it permanently in the institution. Only two interposed a serious objection; each and every one of the others, it is declared, was willing to help, and some went further and said they would accept money for their services. One was willing to receive $100, another $50, another $250,.

"Of the 49 doctors interviewed," says the report, "42 were willing to aid in the procedure. All were to charge a fee and many of them a double fee."

The place where the children, who die because they are separated from their mothers are buried is a lot that meaures 57 by 60 by 51 by 39 ft. It is estimated that in this place are buried nearly 5,000 children .This has necessitated digging up the bodies of those that have been buried for several years, to make room for the newly dead. The investigator went to the cemetery one afternoon, just after the digging of one of these holes was being completed. There was a large pile of bones, more than an ordinary barrel full, lying alongside the hole, and near these, a lot of boxes in various stages of decay that had served as coffins These boxes had been taken up and their contents thrown out, the remains of the bodies of infants being at this stage nothing more than bones and pieces of decayed clothing

RECLUSE ROASTS ALIVE

Sparks From Pipe or From Fireplace Undoing of Old Man

Chester, Pa., Dec. 21—Frank McGettigan, an aged man, who lived alone in a small house on Deshong quarry property, along Bullen's lane Ridley township, was found dead yesterday afternoon by Joseph Collins. He had been burned to death, but whether by sparks from his pipe or coals from a grate in the fireplace is not definitely known.

Collins, who was passing the place, noticed the door ajar, and he shouted to the old man, but, receiving no response, entered and was shocked to find the man dead and his body almost burned to a crisp.

He had apparently been dead for a couple of days. Deputy Coroner Drewes took charge of the remains, and County Detective O'Toole is investigating

NEWS OF THE DAY

The latest ten lists of Prussian losses contain the names of 42,825 killed, wounded and missing. This makes the total Prussian losses reported since the beginning of the war 2,287,083.

T. R. Walton, of Paris, Tex., whose 17 year old daughter, was found with her throat cut on Sautrday, was arrested yesterday. A mob threatened to lynch Walton and he was hurried out of town.

Tonk King Chong, president of the Chinese Republic Association, received a cablegram at San Francisco, from Shanghai, China, last night which stated that five Chinese provinces had declared their independence of the rule of Yuan Shi Kai.

Theodore Roosevelt as a candidate for the Presidency is willing to lead a reunited congregation of Republicans and Progressives in the 1916 campaign, according to a close friend of his who attended the Gary dinner in New York last Friday night.

Samuel Bland, and Willie Stewart colored, were lynched near Eastman, Ga., late last night by a mob estimated at 200, which had taken them from the Eastman jail. The bodies were riddled with bullets, The men were lynched near the spot where A. M. Batchellor, a white merchant, was found dead yesterday.

Wilhelm Garbe, of Brooklyn, purser of the American steamer Borinquen, was removed from the vessel off the harbor of San Juan, Porto Rico, by officers of the French cruiser Descartes. Garbe, it was said, was a German but had taken out his first citizenship papers some time ago. He has been employed by the line about three years.

Losses estimated at 2,500 have been inflicted on the Turks who are attacking the British at Kut-el-Amara, according to a report from Gen. Townshend, commander of the English troops. The report states that all attacks on the British position have been repulsed. Sallying forth, English and Indian contingents have attacked the Turkish advanced trenches.

William C. Bubb, arrested recently on a petit larceny charge and facing trial today in the Washington Police Court, hanged himself from a rafter in the basement of his home, 453 Lamont street northwest, yesterday. Bubb, was 49 years old and had been employed for twenty-one years as watchman in a furniture store. Several hundred balls of twine, pencils, tacks, pieces of wood, cloth and materials used in upholstery were found stored in the basement of his home after his arrest, police say. The police say he was a kleptomaniac.

Dr. Karl Helfferich, secretary of the imperial treasury of Germany, announced in the reichstag yesterday that the next budget cannot be balanced without additional income, and that proposals for new taxation are now being drafted for submission to the reichstag. The secretary declared that no matter how large a war indemnity was received, the war would impose a colossal burden of taxation on the Germans, and they must, therefore, expect greatly increased taxation after the war.

Anti-American feeling is increasing daily in Austria as a result of the note sent by the United States regarding the sinking of the liner Ancona, These reports say Austrian officials are trying to curb the popular feeling, but that several anti-American demonstrations have already occurred. The indignation seems to be fostered by the declaration of the Austrian press that the United States is attempting to show that Austria is "subsevrient to Germany, diplomatically, economically and in military matters."

Everything possible is being done by Germany to encourage large families, and organizations for increasing the birth rate are springing up everywhere. Dusseldorf a citizen has just established a fund of $25,000, interest on which after April 1 is to be used to reward mothers with families not fewer than four healthy children.

By the scratch of a pen in El Paso, Texas, yesterday four leading generals of the Villa army, surrendered at Juarez, the most important point in Villa territory and 4,000 soldiers to the Carranza government. This action sounded the death knell of the Villa movement, according to the most optimistic of Villa's supporters.

That Russia has abandoned all idea of entering the Balkan campaign is apparently confirmed in Sofia, dispatches announcing the withdrawal of Slav troops from Rem on the Roumania where they have been conc for several weeks. Sofia corrobora reports reaching Rotterdam that the Russian troops were being transferred to the Bukowina frontier, presumably for a new blow at Austria. Diplomatic circles in London were avised a few days ago that the czar had given up hope of obtaining Roumanian co-operation in sending troops down the Danube into Bulgaria. The Roumanians threatened to oppose with arms any movement of Slavs across their frontier.

VIRGINIA NEWS

Fire destroyed two large stables at Sunbright, the home of William A. Bennett, near Brandy, Sunday night, together with the entire contents, consisting of 300 barrels of corn, a quantity of hay and other feed stuff. The most serious loss was the death of four fine horses, which were destroyed in the building, among them being "Sweetheart," belonging to Charles B. Payne, jr., who had won so many blue ribbons at Virginia horse shows, and the fine pair of gray driving horses of Mr. Bennett.

For the first time in many years the manufacturing and mining interests of Virginia showed during the year 1914 a decrease, according to the annual report of Commissioner of Labor James B. Doherty, for the fiscal year ended September 1st, 1915. which was made public yesterday. The total value of the products of mines and manufacturies is given at $212,416,996.39, a net decrease from the preceding year of $1,113,861.88. The number of manufacturing plants was 2,574, an increase of eighteen over 1913.

The crop production in the State of Virginia this year is fully 60 per cent greater than last year, according to estimates compiled for the State by the United States Department of Agriculture, made public yesterday. While the total production is fully 60 per cent greater than last year, the average price on December 1, were 8 per cent lower than a year ago, making the total value of the crops produced about 47 per cent more than last year.

Major Robert R. Moton, of Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, Hampton, was selected to succeed Booker T. Washington as president of Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., at a meeting of the special committee of the trustees of the institute in New York yesterday.

Never before in the history of Luray, has there been such a winter as the present one, despite the predictions of weather prophets that the winter was to be the most severe in the recollection of the oldest inhabitant.

After lingering for six hours before medical aid was sought, Floyd Banner Ball, nine years old, of Schoolfied, near Danville, died on Sunday night at his home, after having drunk almost a pint of whiskey.

James Bradshaw, former colored porter at the Merchants' National Bank, Richmond, pleaded guilty in Hustings Court yesterday to the charge of stealing $6,000 from the bank and was sentenced by Judge Richardson to serve three years in the Virginia penitentiary.

Senator Swanson has introduced a bill appropriating $25,000,000 for good roads work. The bill is patterned closely after the ideas advanced by the State Highway Commissioners' Association. It provides for cooperation by the Federal government with the States for the construction and maintenance of rural post roads. Senator Swanson also introduced a bill proiding for the purchase by the government of lands on the fields of the first and second battles of Bull Run and the repair of the two monuments erected there by the government. $50,000 is asked for the project

Two men were injured in the accident on board the battleship Delaware during power speed runs off the Virginia coast last week which cost Chief Water Tender Jacob P. Windness his life. It is reported that he was scalded by the bursting of a steam valve, and it is also said he was injured by the explosion of coal gas fumes in a bunker on the Delaware.

Virginia leads the United States in the amount of shipbuilding now going on within its borders, according to a statement by Secretary of Commerce Redfield. The Secretary shows that 202 vessels of all classes with 3,000 gross tonnage or more, are under construction, or under contract to be constructed. The aggregate gross tonnage of these vessels is 761,611.

Lord and Lady Aberdeen, who have been touring the Western States, left Denver for Hot Springs, Va., where they will spend the Christmas holidays. Later they will go to Washington.

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Dressed chicken 20c lb.
Live turkey .. 22c lb.
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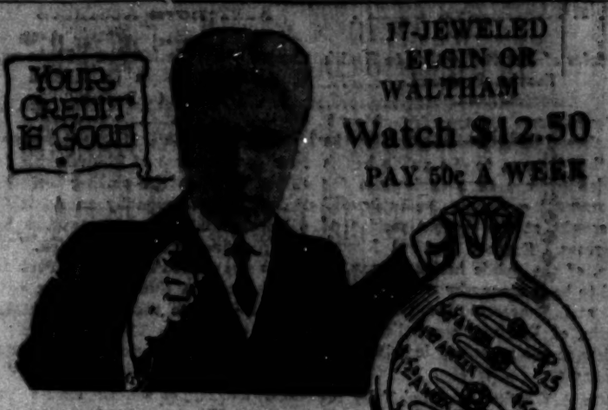

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Kid gloves, pair $1. to $2.50
Auto gloves, pair $1.50 to $5.
Wool gloves pair .. 25c to 50c
Fleece lined gloves 25c to $2.50
Rain Coats .. $5. to $15.00
Neck ties ..... 25c to $1.50
Bath robes .. $2.98 to $7.50
Handkerchiefs .... 5c to 50c
Auto robes .. $2.98 to $6.50
Suit cases .. $2.50 to $10.00
Night robes, 50c, 75c, $1., $1.50
Pajamas, $1., $1.50, $2., $2.50 and $300
Hole proof hose, pair 25c, 25c, d 50c
Onyx hose, pair 25c, 50c and $1
Interwoven hose, pair 25c, 35c, and 50c
Pocket books, each 25c to $2.50
Cuff buttons, pair .. 25c to $1
Scarf pins .... 25c to $1.00
Silk handkerchiefs 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00
Linen handkerchiefs, 15c, 25c 35c, and 50c.
Cotton handkerchiefs, 5c, 10c and 12 1-2c
Underwear .... 50c to $2.50
Union suits .... $1 to $2.50
Wool hose pair 25c
Collar boxes each $1.50
Trunks .... $5.00 to $15.00
Traveling bags $2.50 to $15.
Umbrellas .... $1.00 to $10
Suspenders, pair 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00
[illegible]ation sets, 50c, 75c, $1. 50
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Arrow collars ..... 2 for 25c
Manchester shirts ... $1.00
Manhattan shirts $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50
Garland shirts each 50c
Garters pair .. 15c, 25c and 50c
Flannel top shirts $1.00, $1.50 and $2.50
Evening scarfs $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00
Bath slippers pair 50c and $1.
Evening vests, each $2.50
White pique vests each .. $1.50
Work gloves, pair 25c to $2.00

Useful gifts for Boys

Dress gloves, pair, 50c $1.00, and $1.25
Wool gloves pair .. 25c and 50c
Lined gauntlets pair 50c, $1, and $1.25
Sweaters each 50c, $1.00, $1.25 and $2.50
Neck ties each .... 25c and 50c
Collars ..... 2 for 25c
Shirts ..... 50c and 75c
Hosiery pair 10c, 12 1-2c, 15c and 25c
Underwear ..... 25 and 50c
Union suits ..... 50c and $1
Bath robes $2.25, $2.98 and $3.25
Handkerchiefs 5c, 10c & 12 1-2c
Suspenders ..... 15c and 25c
Night robes 50c
Pajamas .... 50c and $1.00
Blouses ..... 25c and 50c
Pocket books ..... 25c and 50c
Suits ..... $3.50 to $7.50
Overcoats .... $2.50 to $6.50
Rain coats .. $2.50 to $5.00
Gloves ..... 25c to 50c
Caps ..... 25c to 50c
Hose .. 12 1-2c, 15c and 25c
Pencil boxes .. 10c to $1.00
Handkerchiefs ..... 5c to 25c
Ties ..... 25c to $1.00
Shirts ..... 25c to $1.00
Pajamas ..... 50c to $1.00
Blouses ..... 25c to $1.00
Sweaters ..... 50c to $1.50
Suspenders ..... 25c to 50c
Belts ..... 25c to 50c
Pocket books 15c, 25c and 50c
Pants pair ..... 50c to $1.50
Bath robes .... $1. to $3.50
Rain hats 50c

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Shirts Flannel ..... 98c up
We have a Flannel shirt special $2.50 value $2.18
Socks ..... 15c to 50c
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Naval Oranges, doz. 20c
Grape Fruit, each 8c
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Apples, peck 40c
Figs, lb. 20c
Dates, lb. 10c
Raisons (large) lb. 15c
Raisons (pkge.) lb. 10c
Currants (pkge.) lb. 15c

NUTS.

Almonds, lb. 25c
Bnazils, lb. 15c
Pecans, lb. 20c
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English Walnuts, lb. 20c
Mixed Nuts, lb. 15c

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XMAS IN THE SHOPS

Alexandria Stores are Brilliant With Holiday Displays

The stores of Alexandria are brilliant with holiday displays and are crowded from morning to night with eager customers. From all accounts business has been excellent this year and this is especially true of the firms that advertise in the Gazette.

Among the firms who are making special Christmas displays and who have the largest and best assortment of goods may be noted the following:

Swan Bros.' big department store. A full line of presents for men, women, boys and girls. Useful as well as ornamental presents.

R. E. Knight and Son. A little of everything. A bewildering display of toys, books, smoking articles, phonographs, candies, household articles, cutlery, automobile supplies, etc.

M. S. Fairfax and Co. Alexandria's latest establishment. Toys, automobile supplies, smoker's material, bicycles.

R. C. Acton and Sons. Jewelry, diamonds, silverware, watches, stickpins.

H. W. Wildt and Son. An unusually large stock of Christmas jewelry, including watches, rings, bracelets, pins, buckles, silverware.

George Ayers, has a large assortment of bicycles, guns and rifles, flashlights and sporting articles.

J. M. Reed, is the agent of the Victor Talking Machine Co. and says there is no present equal to a Victrola.

The Remschell Auto Sales Co. is offering some special auto supplies for the Ford at very attractive prices.

B. Abramson has a fine line of Christmas presents for men and boys. Suits, hats, shoes, neckties, make very desirable presents.

Taylor's Pharmacy is headquarters for fine candies, and has the most complete line of toilet articles in Alexandria.

At Abe L. Cohen's special prices on men's furnishings are offered until Christmas eve. Raincoats, suits and overcoats are offered at bargains.

J. Reece Caton has a fine line of Xmas presents, including candies, cigars and pipes, toys and novelties, flashlights.

For the housewife the grocery stores in Alexandria that are best supplied with Christmas goods are Howard & Bro. Leachman & Saum, the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co. and W. M. Priest. Aaron O'Dell will be supplied with poultry and meats for the Xmas table.

Shoes make fine appreciated presents and the assortment of M. W. Gaines, successor to John A. Marshall and Bro, is complete.

Cigars are the kind of present a man likes to get. A box of Hamilton and Co's. manufacture will please him. For sale in all stores.

When buying Christmas liquors it will be well to remember that The Falstaff will promptly deliver any order and that they have a complete line of wines, whiskies, brandies, cordials, for family use. Phone 190.

Egg nogg is something that almost everyone has at Christmas. The Rammel Cafe will deliver their especially brewed Egg Nogg to any address for $1.00 a quart. They will also fill orders for Christmas whiskies, wines, beers, etc. Bell phone 160.

S. F. Dyson and Son have a complete line of books, stationery, Xmas cards, etc.

DEBS TO URGE PEACE.

Socialists Also Name Hillquit and Maurer to See Wilson.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—The National executive committee of the Socialist party here named Eugene V. Debs, Indianapolis; Morris Hillquith, New York, and James H. Maurer, of Pennsylvania, as a committee to go to Washington to urge President Wilson to aid in the passage of a resolution introduced in the House of Representatives by Representative Meyer London, of New York, which has for its object the calling of a conference of neutral nations with a view to ending the European war.

The committee decided also to begin correspondence with Socialists in neutral European countries on the subject.

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Country butter ..... 30c lb.
Eggs ..... 28c doz.
Currants 14c
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3 cans Cato syrup 25c
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25c coffee ..... 18c pound
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For Sale By Every Grocer In Town

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Gift Guide

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Pure Silk 50c Hose ..... 35c, 3 for $1
50c Nainsook Underwear 29c
15c Handkerchiefs ..... 9c, 3 for 25c
$1.50 Domet and Soisette Pajamas 89c

Boston Garters, 25c grade 14c
$3.50 All-wool Sweaters $2.35
$5.00 All-wool Sweaters $3.35
$2.00 Gloves $1.33
$1.50 Gloves $1.15
$1.00 Heavy Ribbed Underwear 59c

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$1.50 Caps 89c
50c and 65c Neckwear ... 35c, 3 for $1
$1.00 and $1.50 Neckwear 65c
$2.00 and $2.50 Neckwear $1.19
$2.50 Sterling Silver Mounted Umbrellas $1.35

$1.50 Heavy Natural Wool Underwear 89c
$1.50 and $2 Shirts, Colors and Fit Guaranteed 89c
$5 and $6 Pure Silk Shirts $2.95
$3 Hats $1.85
$2.00 Angora Reefers $1.19

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TAXES IN GERMANY.

Socialist Organ Asks Where Money Is Coming From.

Amsterdam, Dec. 21.—Reviewing the recent speech on Germany's financial condition on which Dr. Karl Helfferich, secretary of the treasury made before the Reichstag, the socialist newspaper Vorwaerts, of Berlin, asserts the time has come for the German government and the Reichstag to indicate in what way the money necessary for payment of interest on the nation's gigantic war debt and to provide for their redemption is to be raised.

It says:

"With the new war credit of 10,000,000,000 marks the German war debt reaches 40,000,000,000 marks which according to Dr. Helfferich should last until the end of March. Interest on 40,000,000,000 marks amounts to 2,000,000,000 marks annually, and for redemption which is necessary in order to maintain the credit of the empire, another 500,000,000 marks is needed."

The Vorwaerts considers it essential that the empire's income be more than doubled to meet these obligations and the current expenses. Before the war it says, the financial state of Germany was a source of anxiety to the government. In 1909 taxation was increased by 500,000,000 marks, but the budget did not balance. In 1913 the government adopted the extraordinary measure of taxing wealth and levying a non-recurrent contribution for armament in order to cover the deficit.

Maintenance of the existing financial system, the Vorwaerts continues, is impossible so far as taxation of imports is concerned. Provision, raw materials and many other articles may be expected to rise in price after the war and if the present tariff were continued it would lead to an artificial increase of prices for Germany which would undermine capability of German industry to compete in the world's market.

"Therefore, the interests of consumers and producers," the Vorwaerts concludes, "demands abolition of these import taxes after the war, which would reduce German's income considerably; and therefore the time has come for the government to declare what course it is steering."

MONEY TO LOAN—$2,500 or portion of same, on city property.—Howard W. Smith, 107 north Fairfax street.

FOR RENT—Five rooms and bath 600 north Washington street, Apply at 613 north Washington street, for terms. 15-3t.

HISTORICAL DATA

(Communicated.)

Mr. Editor.—I wish to correct a few errors that appear in the article on "Carlin Avenue," which was published in yesterday's Gazette. The writer misplaces both the home of Robert E. Lee and the school of Benjamin Hallowell.

In 1824 Benjamin Hallowell, the celebrated Quaker teacher, established a school for boys in the house on Oronoco street, now occupied by Mr. Arthur H. Bryan. Here Robert E. Lee studied mathematics preparatory to going to West Point, which military institution he entered in 1825. At that time his mother, with her family of children, lived in the house adjoining Mr. Hallowell's and many years afterwards, during the civil war, while conversing with an old Alexandria friend Gen. Lee spoke affectionately of his boyhood's home, and said, musingly, "I wonder if the snowballs still bloom in the old garden." In 1826 Benjamin Hallowell removed his school to the "Hooe" house, on the southwest corner of Washington and Queen streets, where he remained until the property was bought by Mr. John Lloyd, in 1833. He then purchased from the Hooe estate the two old houses situated about the middle of the same square, on the west side. These had formerly been used, the one as a sugar, the other as a tobacco house, Mr. Hallowell remodelled these buildings to accomodate his large school of boys, who came from all parts of the union, from the West Indies and from South America. So widely and favorably had Benjamin Hallowell become known as an instructor of youths, it may be safely stated that the reputation of his school was second to none in the country. The old building was originally painted yellow, which suggested the name of, "Old Brimstone Castle," by which it was affectionately known throughout the land. It is now a thing of the past, having been totally demolished, but recently, and even its location bids fair to be forgotten if errors of the press are overlooked. Most of the facts given here are called from the Autobiography of Benjamin Hallowell. P.

MISSED GREAT CHANCE.

Could Have Forced Dardanelles, but Did Not Know It.

Had the allied fleet returned to its attack upon the Dardanelles batteries on the day after the great bombardment of March 19, last the water way to Constantinople would have been surely forced, in the opinion of a number of artillery officers of the defense works near Tschanek Kale.

One of the principal batteries had for three of its large calibre guns just four armor-piercing shells each when night ended the tremendous effort of the British and French fleet, it appeared. For the fourth gun, five shells were left, making for the entire battery a total of 17 projectiles of the sort which the aggressors had to fear.

What this meant is best understood when it is considered that the battery in question was the one which had to be given the widest berth by the allied fleet.

During the evening of March 18 the Associated Press correspondent talked to several artillery officers from the battery in question.

"Better pack up and be ready to quit at daybreak," said one of them.

"Why?" was asked.

"Oh, they are sure to get in tomorrow."

Then the officer stated his reasons. He was sure that the British and French would return in the morning, to finish their task that there was no question in his mind as to the propriety of discussing the ammunition matter.

"We'll hold out well enough to make them think that there is no end to our supply of ammunition," he said, "But it can't be done if they go about their work in real earnest. With our heavy pieces useless they can reduce the batteries on the other shore without trouble. The case looks hopeless. You had better take my advice."

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